

### REMARKS

First of all, Fig. 1B has been removed from the present application and Fig. 1A has been re-designated as "Fig. 1". Applicant respectfully submits that the specification and drawings of the present application are now consistent with one another.

Claims 16, 17, 19-27, 29 and 30 remain in this application. Claims 18 and 28 have been canceled.

The Examiner has acknowledged that claims 18-20, 23-26 and 28-30 are directed to allowable subject matter. Accordingly, pursuant to the present amendment, independent claim 16 has been amended so as to include the limitations of allowable dependent claim 18, and independent claim 27 has been amended so as to include the limitations of allowable dependent claim 28. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 16 and 27, as well as claims 17, 19-26 and 29-30 which respectfully depend therefrom, are both novel and non-obvious over the art of record. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Amendments to the Drawings:**

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 1. This sheet, which includes Figs. 1 and 3, replaces the original sheet including Figs. 1A, 1B and 3.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet